REMARKS

The Examiner has required restriction in the above-identified application as follows:

Group I:

Claims 1-33 and 37-39 drawn to "a system and method of hot swapping modules including a power module in a computer network

appliance"; and

Group II:

Claims 34-36 drawn to "a method of remotely booting a CPU module

in a computer network appliance".

Applicants respectfully submit that examination of all currently pending claims would not pose an undue burden on the Examiner. Section 803 of The Manual of Patent Examining Procedure states that "[i]f the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions." Applicants therefore respectfully request examination of all currently pending claims.

Applicants submit that the application is now in condition for examination on the merits. Early notification of such action is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any suggestions to place the application in even better condition for allowance, Applicants request that the Examiner contact the undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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